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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-13. (Cancelled)

Claim 14. (Presently amended) An assay comprising

contacting an agent with a nucleotide sequence ~~shown as~~ having at least 95% homology with SEQ I.D. No:1 or a derivative, fragment, variant or homologue thereof or the an expression product thereof in the presence of a G β capable of being associated with Cdc24p or a homologue thereof; and

determining whether the agent is capable of affecting the interaction of the nucleotide sequence or the expression product with the G β .

Claims 15-65. (Cancelled)

Claim 66. (New) A method of identifying one or more agents that are capable of affecting the interaction of Cdc24p or a homologue thereof with a G β or an associated Rho-family GTPase which comprises screening a library with a nucleotide sequence having at least 95% homology with SEQ I.D. No:1 or an expression product thereof.

Claim 67. (New) An assay comprising

contacting an agent with a nucleotide sequence shown as SEQ I.D. No:1 or a homologue thereof where the homologue comprises nucleotide residues 508 to 735 of a *C. albicans* Cdc24 gene presented as SEQ I.D. No: 23 or an expression product of the nucleotide sequence shown as SEQ I.D. No:1 or an expression product of the homologue of the nucleotide sequence shown as SEQ I.D. No:1 in the presence of a G β capable of being associated with Cdc24p or a homologue thereof; and

determining whether the agent is capable of affecting the interaction of the nucleotide sequence or the expression product with the G β .

Claim 68. (New) A method of identifying one or more agents that are capable of affecting the interaction of Cdc24p or a homologue thereof with a G β or an associated Rho-family GTPase

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which comprises screening a library with a nucleotide sequence shown as SEQ I.D. No:1 or a homologue thereof where the homolog comprises nucleotide residues 508 to 735 of a *C. albicans* Cdc24 gene presented as SEQ I.D. No: 23 or an expression product of the nucleotide sequence shown as SEQ I.D. No:1 or an expression product of the homologue of the nucleotide sequence shown as SEQ I.D. No:1 .

Claim 69. (New) A nucleotide sequence as defined in claim 14.

Claim 70. (New) A nucleotide sequence as defined in claim 67.